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B. FIELDS SEARCHED

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C. DOCUMENTS CONSIDERED TO BE RELEVANT

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A	STANDARD ECMA-279: "80 mm(1,23 Gbytes per side) and 120 mm (3,95 Gbytes per side) DVD-Recordable Disk (DVD-R)" ECMA, December 1998 (1998-12), XP002183289 the whole document -----	1,3,5

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1. claim: 1 3 5

A record carrier with two annular sections, the ECC block size in one section being different from the ECC block size in the other section, and the outer perimeter of the first annular section is located where the size of the second ECC block is equal to a length of the inner perimeter of the second annular section, and to the associated method of recording information on a record carrier and recorder for recording information on a record carrier.

2. claim: 2 4 6

A record carrier with two annular sections, the ECC block in one section being stored using a first error correction code and the ECC block in the other section being stored using a second error correction code, the first error correction code providing an error correction capability equal to the second error correction code, and to the associated method of recording information on a record carrier and recorder for recording information on a record carrier.

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